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Subject: MLPA Impacts on Human Powered Recreational Fishing Opportunities

First of all I am in favor of the MLPA. I do believe that the time has come to take some significant action to change the business as usual approach to our ocean resources. I have been an ocean lover ever since I first laid eyes on it at about the age of 4. As an adult I have been a long time diver and fisherman, from shore and boat. In the last few years I have taken up fishing and diving almost exclusively from a kayak.

After reviewing each of the current proposed packages I am disappointed that what little (non-power boat)public fishing access there is could be greatly impacted. It appears to me that human powered recreational fishing could suffer a much greater impact than needed to meet the requirements of the MLPA.

Thru a combination of geography and private ownership the great majority of our shoreline is already inaccessible to the general public for recreational fishing. This being the case there are already huge barriers to fishing from shore or human powered vessels whether they be float tubes, kayaks or rowboats.

I regularly fish and dive in the Salt Point State Park and limiting access there would greatly impact myself as well as a significant portion of the general public that use the ocean in a responsible manner thru adherence to park rules as well as DFG regulations.

I only use Salt Point as an example, there are other public access areas where the same circumstances exist. I.E. responsible use under current laws, rules, and regulations.

I hope that when the final decisions are made those involved in the process will be able to minimize the impacts to recreational fishing areas accessible by human powered means.

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